Dear Parents

At School we actively seek ways to enhance student learning and wellbeing by partnering with parents and families, other education and training institutions, local businesses and community organisations. Thanks to our great Parents and Community (P and C) who so kindly give up their time to support our students, staff and school. I especially want to thank the contribution of the P and C and the executive committee under the leadership of Gretchen Highfield in 2015, whose fundraising was outstanding and for all your contributions to the school. Congratulations to the P and C for 2016, now led under the leadership of April Miller and to all the parents who have put up their hands to take on positions in the new committee.

This week concludes the WAVES (Wellbeing, Awareness, Versatility, Environment, Surf) Program after an innovative and unique six week program to educate our children of SHPS in personal wellbeing, surf safety, beach awareness and surf fitness in our idyllic beach setting. All the students have gained confidence in their surf skills, personal fitness levels and their understanding of safety within their home environment, at the beach. (See local media article overpage).

The students have become highly aware of the needs and contributions of others by the kindness that has been shown by the number of local members from the surf club that have come down week after week to make sure this program has been such an outstanding success. Thanks to the local surf Macksville-Scotts Head Surf Club, Peter Ross, Cath O’Donnell and all the volunteers who have so positively mentored, encouraged, coached and supported our students over the last 6 weeks. The lifeguards were honoured with a Harmony Day, It’s Time To Look after You, barbeque yesterday. The day was led and organised by the Year 3/4s and was an outstanding success. See report.

Parents and families are recognised as integral members of the school community and partners in their children’s education. One way to strengthen this partnership is by having parent-teacher interviews twice a year, which now will occur in first term as well as the third term. Parent-teacher interviews give you a great opportunity to:

- Learn more about your child’s academic, emotional and social development
- Meet and get to know your child’s teachers
- Help your child’s teachers understand more about your child
- Make plans with the teacher about how you can both support your child
- Build a relationship with your child’s school.

If you don’t have any particular concerns, you might wonder whether it’s worth going to parent teacher interviews. But going along is one way to show your child that you’re interested in his learning needs and what’s happening for him at school. Of course, if you do have concerns, it’s a chance for you to raise them with your child’s teacher if you haven’t done that already.

Wishing you all a lovely long weekend with your family and friends. Enjoy!

Gillian Stuart

Principal’s Column

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“Each day has its God-intended purpose. You can choose to resist that purpose or embrace it. The choice is yours.”

Marcel Proust

Principal Awards

Congratulations to Jake, Toby, Dimity and Charlotte

Indo Corner

Hai
Halo
Selamat Pagi
Selamat Siang
Selamat Sore
Selamat Malam

Salam (Greetings)
- Hi
- Hello
- Good Morning (until 11am)
- Good Ray (11am-3pm)
- Good Afternoon (3-6pm)
- Good Evening (6pm-6am)

Sampai Jumpa
- Goodbye (until we meet again)
Sampai Nanti
- See you later (i.e. soon)
Sampai Besok
- See you tomorrow
Sampai Hari Senin
- See you on Monday

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Surfing Program

Thank you to Zoe for the fantastic photos.
Easter Activities
This Thursday after the surf program the Easter activities will be taking place. All students need to have their $5 (for a hot cross bun and a Milo) in by tomorrow at the latest. There will also be the famous egg drop where students create a contraption at home to protect a fresh egg that is dropped from a height of 2 metres. If the egg survives the drop, the student will get a prize. Please only bring contraptions in on the day.

Easter Raffle 2016
We are asking for donations of Easter eggs and bunnies, soft toys, etc (anything to do with Easter), to be brought in and placed in the Easter box in the office. Raffle to be drawn Thursday 24/3. Raffle tickets have gone home, please return to school by Tuesday 22/3.

Kinder/1/2/3 Excursion to Macksville High School
On Thursday 31st March Kinder/Years 1/2/3 will be going on an excursion to MHS to watch a performance by the drama students. Notes went home last week. Please send in permission notes and $5 for the bus.

Cross Country
The Cross Country will be held on Wednesday 30th March. There will be NO canteen on this day. Please let us know if you are able to help on the day. Permission notes have gone home today.

Surf Program for all students
Reminder to students and parents—Mondays and Thursdays, don’t forget to pack your gear for the Surf Program. The last day of the program is Thursday 24th March.

P&C News
Student Injury Insurance & P&C Membership - Went out to families this week, please return to school as soon as possible. Each year the P&C take out a Student Injury Insurance Policy through the P&C Federation of NSW. This cover is provided to students enrolled at SHPS – YOUR CHILD/CHILDREN. In the event of an accident, this policy provides 24 hours a day, 7 days a week coverage including broken bones, ambulance trips, dental and non-Medicare medical expenses. A one off payment of only $8 per student is required for 2015 and there are no ongoing costs. A very reasonable outlay for that amount of cover!

P&C Membership - For $2 per family, you will be a financial member of our P&C Association. This means that you will be able to vote at our meetings on important decisions being made AND HAVE YOUR SAY, or just to be able to come along to our meetings to stay in touch with what’s happening in your children’s school.

Canteen Roster for Term 2 — Could you please advise your availabilities for the Term 2 Canteen roster. Email: scottsheddapandc@hotmail.com.
Harmony Day

On Monday the 21st of March we had a Harmony Day with the life guards that helped us with the surfing groups. We all celebrated with a BBQ at the Scotts Head Rec Park after our surfing groups. Some people brought in some cupcakes and some biscuits to share with everyone.

After all it was a great day

By Jalaara and Grace

End of Term Assembly

Thanks to all the friends and family who came along to our end of term assembly last Wednesday. Well done to all the students who received awards.
Weekly round up

Media Release

Scotts Heads kids are making WAVES for their wellbeing

Scotts Heads Public School

SHIPS WAVES Wellbeing Program is an innovative six-week program that focuses on personal wellbeing, surf safety, beach awareness and staff support for our students.

Being part of the beachside community means the wellbeing and safety of everyone is extremely important... and the concept of wellbeing and its role in kids with learning and autism is not new.

These days there is a heightened awareness of, and commitment to, personalized and differentiated learning and support for every student. However, it is something that we drive with being in our public schools in the forum are Connect, Success and Thrive.

The program is only possible thanks to the generous support of local surf lifesaving volunteers and the facilities of the Bateau Bay/Stockton Surf Lifesaving Club.

The benefits are many, and in the case of Amy Miller, Elize, who was born with Down syndrome, the program has opened up doors to all. She now attends the program with her mum and dad.

A massive thank you to Will and the Tafe crew for installing the new shade sails over the sand pit.

They look great!

Gumbaynggirr Language Class

Ricky Buchannan is our Aboriginal School Learning Support Officer who is training to be a language teacher in his local Gumbaynggirr language. To assist with his confidence and teaching skills, a small group of students are enjoying a lunchtime class with him on Tuesdays. This opportunity will open up more students over time.

Crystal Club

Thank you to April and Greg for coming in each week and sharing your gems of knowledge and wisdom.
Community News

The Intergen Club

SCOTTS HEAD FESTIVAL'S ART EXHIBITION

Please note *changes below
Time is running out -
Art work Entry forms - available online at www.scottseadfestival.com.au
must be submitted either by email to info@scottseadfestival.com.au
or delivered to:
Scotts Head Events Committee, 5 Adin St, Scotts Head, 2447
by Wednesday 6th April, 4.00pm.
* An entry fee of $20 for first artwork and $10 for each additional for adults.
Only $5 per artwork for children
Each entrant may submit up to 3 2-D or 3-D artworks
All work must be clearly labeled with name, phone number, title of work, category
and sale price. Artworks must be ready for hanging.
Please direct deposit to:
Account name Scotts Head Events Committee, BSB 704328, Acc 100592044
Reference artist’s surname and “Art” when depositing OR dropped off with entry form
to Scotts Head - Tippany's Gifts and Clothing in Scotts Head NSW.